

# Middle School Summer Reading List 2013

Developed by Howard County Public School Library Media Specialists and Children's Instruction & Research Staff from Howard County Library System

## GROUND BREAKING READS

### A Very Bad Future

- Enders Game Card, Orson Scott
- Safekeeping Hesse, Karen
- The Girl Who Owned a City  
Jolley, Dan
- Son Lowry, Lois
- Legend Lu, Marie
- Cinder Meyer, Marissa
- A Small Free Kiss In The Dark Millard, Glenda
- The False Prince Nielsen, Jennifer



### Man's Best Friend

- Little Dog, Lost Bauer, Marion Dane
- Wild Horse Scientists Frydenborg, Kay
- Moonbird: A Year on the Wind with the Great Survivor Hoose, Phillip
- One White Dolphin Lewis, Gill
- Shadow Morpurgo, Michael
- The Elephant Scientist O'Connell, Caitlin
- Racing in the Rain: My Life as a Dog Stein, Garth

## Get a Hobby

- Star Wars Origami : 36 Amazing Paper-folding Projects from a Galaxy Far, Far Away  
Alexander, Chris
- Don't Sit on the Baby: The Ultimate Guide to Sane, Skilled, and Safe Babysitting Bondy, Halley
  - Guy-Write: What Every Guy Writer Needs to Know Fletcher, Ralph
  - Teen Cuisine: New Vegetarian Locricchio, Matthew

## Beneath the Surface

### Fighting Back

The Outcasts Flanagan, John  
Akata Witch Okorafor, Nnedi

Bystander Preller, James

Shadow on the Mountain Preus, Marg

- Unstoppable Green, Tim
- Tunnels Gordon, Roderick
- That Was Then, This Is Now  
Hinton, S.E.
- Love, Aubrey LaFleur, Suzanne
- Dear Blue Sky Sullivan, Mary
- Black and White Volponi, Paul



## I Need a Hero

- Powerless Cody, Matthew
- Sidekicks Ferraiolo Jack D.
- Warrior's Heart: Becoming a Man of Compassion and Courage Greitens, Eric
  - Jepp, Who Defied The Stars Marsh, Katherine
- Boys Who Rocked The World: Heroes from King Tut to Bruce Lee McCann, Michelle Roehm
- Girls Who Rocked The World: Heroines from Joan of Arc to Mother Teresa McCann, Michelle Roehm

The titles selected for this recommended summer reading list were chosen especially for those students finishing 6th, 7th, and 8th grades. Titles included are just a sampling of the books you may enjoy reading during this summer. Many of the authors on this list have written more than one book. Check out some of those titles too!

## Blood and Guts

Once Gleitzman, Morris

Vlad the Impaler: The Real Count Dracula Goldberg, Enid A.

Baby Mammoth Mummy: Frozen in Time! Sloan, Christopher

Ripper Stefan, Petrucha

Their Skeletons Speak: Kennewick Man and the Paleoamerican

World Walker, Sally

## Fairy Tales Gone Bad

- In a Glass Grimmly: Companion to A Tale Dark & Grimm Gidwitz, Adam
- Seraphina Hartman, Rachel
- You Wish Hubbard, Amanda
- Enchanted Kontis, Alethea
- Splendors and Glooms Schlitz, Laura Amy
- Cardboard TenNapel, Doug



## Unraveling The Mystery

Spy School Gibbs, Stuart

The Secret of the Yellow Death: A True Story of

Medical Sleuthing Jurmain, Suzanne

Explorer: The Mystery Boxes: Seven Graphic

Stories Kibuishi, Kazu

The Giant and How He Humbugged America

Murphy, Jim

Liar & Spy Stead, Rebecca

## Monsters Vs. Humans

The Alien Hunter's Handbook: How to Look for Extraterrestrial Life Brake, Mark

Hereville: How Mirka Met a Meteorite Deutsch, B

Bad Taste in Boys Harris, Carrie

Brains for Lunch: A Zombie Novel in Haiku?! Holt, K

Zombie Makers: True Stories of Nature's Undead

Johnson, Rebecca L.



## Once Upon A Time

- Haunted Histories: Creepy Castles, Dark Dungeons and Powerful Palaces Everett, J.H.
- Fatty Legs: A True Story Jordan-Fenton, Christy
- The Silence of Our Friends Long, Mark
- Heart of a Samurai: Based on the True Story of Nakahama Manjiro Preus, Margi
- Witches!: The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in Salem Schanzer, Rosalyn
- Breaking Stalin's Nose Yelchin, Eugene



## These Books Are Dangerous

- 100 Deadliest Things on the Planet Athans, Sandra
- Tales from the Top of the World: Climbing Mt. Everest Athans, Pete
- The Book of Potentially Catastrophic Science Connolly, Sean
- Flesh and Blood So Cheap: The Triangle Fire and Its Legacy Marrin, Albert
- The Mighty Mars Rovers: The Incredible Adventures of Spirit and Opportunity Rusch, Elizabeth
- Impossible Rescue: The True Story of an Amazing Arctic Adventure Sandler, Martin
- Bomb: The Race to Build - And Steal - The World's Most Dangerous Weapon Sheinkin, Steve

## WHO AM I?

Chuck Close: Face Book Close, Chuck

Friends With Boys Hicks, Faith Erin

Gamer Girl Mancusi, Mari

Crystal Stair: A Documentary Novel of the Life and Work of

Lewis Michaux, Harlem Bookseller Nelson, Vaunda Micheaux

Temple Grandin: How the Girl Who Loved Cows Embraced

Autism and Changed the World Montgomery, Sy

Drama Telgemeier, Raina

42 Miles Zimmer, Tracie Vaughn

## Black-Eyed Susan Award Nominees

The One and Only Ivan Applegate, Katherine

Almost Home Bauer, Joan

Chomp Hiaasen, Carl

See You at Harry's Knowles, Jo

The Limit Landon, Kristen

The False Princess O'Neal, Eilis

Lions of Little Rock Levine, Kristen

Wonder Palacio, R.J.

The Grimm Legacy Shulman, Polly

Curveball: The Year I Lost My Grip Sonnenblick, Jordan

